

# **INDOT 2030 LRP Update Early Coordination Meeting:**

## **Indianapolis MPO, June 25, 2004, 10:00 AM: Meeting Notes**

### **Attendees:**

Steve Smith,	INDOT - Long Range Planning Section
Dan Buck,	INDOT - Long Range Planning Section
Frank Baukert,	INDOT - Long Range Planning Section
Mike Dearing,	MPO, Executive Director
Steve Cunningham,	MPO, Staff
Sweson Yang,	MPO Staff
Bob Rebling,	INDOT - Greenfield District
Larry Love all,	INDOT - Greenfield District

**Overview:** Steve Smith kicked the meeting off discussing the meeting's purpose and expected outcome. The outline of the meeting was structured based on DMD's response to the Early Coordination 2004 Long Range Plan Update letter sent to DMD in April. This letter requested INDOT Districts and MPO personnel to reevaluate major expansion projects in the INDOT 25-year plan for their areas and document changes in project priorities (changes in scope, and/or project deletion, delay, or advancement); identify new expansion projects to be evaluated for inclusion in INDOT's 2030 plan update; and develop a list of planning issues the MPO/District faces that should be addressed in the 2030 plan update. Listed below are topics/issues discussed.

Dan Buck then presented the INDOT Travel Demand Model 2030 No-Build and Build LOS maps and the HERS 2030 Recommended Improvements Number of Lanes and Improvement Time Period maps.

### **Discussion of New Projects/Issues:**

US 31 from I-465 to SR 32: The District is basically okay with projects as identified from last FEIS results. The final issue is whether to build an Interchange at 126th street or 131<sup>st</sup> street. The FEIS recommendations assume an interchange at 126<sup>th</sup> street. Carmel wants the interchange at 131st. If final Interchange location is revised the INDOT and MPO LRPs will be changed by a later amendment

Note: The MPO related that a US 31 LRP/TIP Amendment with the latest FEIS recommended projects with the 126th Street Interchange was approved by the MPO Technical Committee yesterday June 24, 2004.

I-465, I-69, I-70 Projects on the Northeast Side: The INDOT LRP was amended last fall to include the recommended projects for that area from the FEIS of the North East Connections Study. The Indy MPO is satisfied with those projects. Q. Were HOV lanes looked at in the study? Yes, they were discarded early in the FEIS. They can look at it again in their MPO current LRP update.

US 36 in Danville: Currently there is an EA/Corridor Study underway for that area. We are awaiting final recommendations that will come out of that study.

I-465 from SR 67 to US 421: They are aware of all issues and are okay with current status of the projects scheduled for that area. .

The Central Indiana Transportation and Mobility Study (CISTMS): They are aware of issues and want to make sure they have continued involvement in the study. We assured them they will.

New 8 Hour Air Quality Conformity: They are aware of all issues. They are proceeding with preparing the air quality conformity for the entire nine county area. Conformity should be completed within the deadline date.

MPO Question: Does INDOT have a policy that sidewalks will be analyzed for all projects? Answer. The Design Manual calls for the need for sidewalks in certain situations and for certain types of projects. The MPO would like to see more involvement of the MPO in Engineering Assessment studies and for them to include sidewalk analysis. We told them that is a separate issue from the LRP update and we couldn't discuss. That is not a planning issue but should be brought up with the Engineering Assessment Section of INDOT.

### **MPO Issues/Concerns:**

Market Street Interchange: The MPO had recently submitted a request to INDOT to amend the Market Street Interchange work into the INDOT LRP. They need in the INDOT LRP so they can access federal money.

**Comments:** We've received the request and will include as part of our current LRP update. We currently show this work as part of the overall ATL project. We will now show as a separate interchange project.

Interchange at I-65/I-465 on the West Side: Not sure if that piece is shown in current INDOT/MPO LRPs. Not sure how to show in their LRP. Need to know how to show that segment in their LRP which they are updating right now.

**Comments:** I need to get with Randy Walter in the Scheduling Section to get his latest schedules for west side and at this location. INDOT will send Steve Cunningham the latest data from Randy.

SR 431 from I-465 N to US 31: The MPO has heard rumors that INDOT may relinquish that road to city. They are concerned if given to the City of Carmel it may have negative repercussions on Indianapolis City streets. They want to be involved in any relinquishment discussions with Carmel.

**Comments:** We told them we don't know about any relinquishment discussions. We certainly agree the MPO should be included in any discussions about possible relinquishment.